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WIRELESS PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE (WPBX) AND
COMMUNICATING BETWEEN MOBILE UNITS AND BASE STATIONS

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This Application is a Divisional of US Patent Application No. 09/784,109 filed
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TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to wireless communications systems having a plurality of
mobile units (devices) having the ability to connect short-range with a plurality of Base
Stations, and techniques for handing off a mobile unit from one Base Station to another
when the mobile unit moves between areas of coverage of neighboring Base Stations.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The effective range of a mobile device, such as a cordless handset, from its Base
Station is limited by its transmission power and by the receiver sensitivity of the mobile
device and the Base Station. Wireless Private Branch Exchange (WPBX) systems
address this limitation by using more than one Base Station (BS). The area that a Base
Station covers is called a cell. In the main, hereinafter, mobile units (devices) that are
cordless (telephone) handsets are discussed.

In a WPBX, the Base Stations are interconnected in order to allow handsets that
are in different cells to communicate with one another. When a handset moves from one
cell to another during a call, the handoff (or handover) of communication from one Base
Station to another Base Station enables uninterrupted communication. A central unit that
is usually called the "Switch" is connected to all the Base Stations. The Switch controls
the operation of the system, routes the call to Base Stations and to Gateways, which
connect the WPBX to external communication systems. The transmission power of a
cordless handset in the WPBX is usually lower than the transmission power of the
handset of a standard cellular system, which results in a WPBX for cordless handsets

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